दी जाती है जिसकी अधिकतम सीमा 10 लाख रुपये है। इसी प्रकार मांस प्रसंस्करण क्षेत्र में बिक्री केन्द्र खोलने के लिए डीप फ्रीजर/रेफ्रीजिरेटरों की खरीद के लिए पूंजी लागत के 50 प्रतिशत तक सहायता दी जाती है।

Deep sea fishing sector off the East Coast of Andhra Pradesh

5627. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to implement conservation and appropriate management of marine resources as a method to develop deep sea fishing sector off the East Coast of Andhra Pradesh ;

(b) if so, details of the priposed system of conservation off the East Coast ; and

(c) schedule of implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOl) : (a) to (c) Conservation and management of marine resources in the territorial waters is taken care of by the different States and legislations have been enacted in terms of Marine Fishing Regulation Act. Executive orders are in force in Andhra Pradesh, restricting the operation of mechanised vessels in the Coastal area. As far as deep sea fishing is concerned, the Government does not allow introduction of hew shrimp trawlers on the East Coast in order to conserve the shrimp resources in that area. The Government also encourages diversified fishing by modification of existing trawlers in order to reduce the pressure on shrimp resources on the East Coast and to improve the bio-economic status of this fishery.

Multinationals entering FPIs in India

5628. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY :

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the multi-nationals who have entered in the food processing industries sector during the last three years in India, their total investments including the increases during the above period;

(b) in what manner the entries of multinationals have helped Indian economy in relation to employment increases, development of agriculture and exports;

(c) whether the production of food stuffs including drinks by multinationals are adversely affecting locally owned industries;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) what are the details of domestic and international sales by these multinationals during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRITARUN GOGOI) : (a) Since liberalisation in July 1991, approval has been accorded to many companies for foreign equity investment either directly or in collaboration with Indian companies. Some of the foreign investors who have reportedly invested/operations in more than one country *inter alia* include M/s. Pepsi Foods Ltd. M/s. Kellogg, M/s. Coca Cola, M/s. Mc Donalds, M/s. Pizza Hut, M/s. KFG, M/s. Seagram, Ms. Hiram Walker. M/s. Unitod Distillers. M/s. Henniog er. M/s. Dalsem

Veciap, M/s. Montary Mushroom, M/s. Perfetti, M/s. Wriggly, M/s. Mars Inc, etc. These approvals involve foreign equity investment of over Rs. 2000 crores.

(b) Projects are expected to bring in among other things marketing expertise, advantages of technology, introduction of modern managerial techniques, utilization of indigenous raw material and possibilities of promotion of exports.

(c) and (d) The Ministry has not received any reports of decline in production of food products including soft drinks due to operation of the companies with foreign equity, who have to compete with existing and future domestic industry to market their produce.

(e) Information on sales of companies are not maintained.

Agro-based industries in the States

5629. SHRI S.S. SURJE WALA : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up an integrated project for the development of agro-based industries in the States of Haryana, U.P., Rajasthan adjacent to Delhi; and

(b) if not, how Government propose to develop agro industries with out creating a net work of infrastructure consisting of cold storage, processing, packing and transport etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI) (a) and (b) Ministry of Food Processing industries does not set up any project directly in any States. However, Ministry of Food Processing Industries has formulated and is operating a number of developmental Plan Schemes for the overall development of food processing industries. Some of these schemes envisage financial assistance for infrastructural deve-lopment, cold storage and processing etc. In addition assistance is also available from National Horticulture Board & Agriculture and Processed Foods Export Development Authority (APEDA) for setting up post-harvest infrastruc ture.

Occurrence of Benzene in Vegetable Oils

5630. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that vegetable oils produced in the country at present contain one per cent benzene' a cancer causing substance, against the world specification of 40 parts per million;

(b) if so, since when this violation of world specification is in vogue in the country; and

(c) whether Government propose to bring the percentage down, if so, by when and if hot, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA) : (a) No, Sir. Benzene is an organic salt which is not used in oil extraction either in India or abroad.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

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5631. SHRI A. NALLASrVAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are yet to publish a list of All India Institute of Medical